

6/16/71

Dear Bill,

I'm almost finished the draft of the missing part of P.S. #1234. For a number of reasons I will not go into now, instead of following my usual practice and going over and giving, will send this over to type as I complete it, this time I'm just ready. It will be ready when it is done. I'd put away a special and rather thick file for it but haven't asked it. My reason was not only time, wanting to get this done, but Bill, for with the required heavy cutting of the first part, this will still, by today's standards, be a large book. This part will, I suspect, run over 50,000 words.

Little as it will be, not to you, although some of the combinations and interpretation may be. Today, spontaneously, I hit upon a pun that delights me in describing the painfully indispensable. I didn't even realize the pun until after it came out. I'll let it await your selection.

After going through the new material I was able to force out, with a bit on how and why I'll be out some color from the conversations involved, I decided that instead of ending it this, the two relevant units had to be included, so I did a chapter on the spot, which is the reason for this letter, really, and I am done. One note, it is the last except final conclusions, on the clothing/pix. When you see this you may say that you seem to have from your reaction, or lack of it, in previous correspondence. If one can have an opinion of a book done over a period of 4 years - I've done before Sylvia's or Pink's books were out - with neither the first nor the second (more than two years old) read since the writing and the final part not yet read for the first time, this is far and away the most exhaustive, overwhelmingly devastating one, of, with a terrible series of accusations not possible before, not responsibly, anyway. I'll see what you think of that, too.

Because I would like to be able to have a complete appendix of all the documents cited, I write to ask what I thought I'd asked and you'd sent, a clear copy of your 425.2, Hoover's 9/23 to Rankin. I credit you with it. I hope you will not object. I could not find what I thought I had, the draft by Klenner of a relevant letter. I do have and use Hoover's 3/18, which I've had for years.

Some of the possible meaning of some of the receipts I got is interesting. Some of those on any film add up. Sibert-O'Neill, for example, list 11 X-rays, while Kellerman receipted 14, what I'd forgotten is that they were made into positive prints, some not the same as any of the negatives, and with this 14 we still do not have those Pink ordered and Rankin described.

I used to little of Pink's A.S. testimony, despite the fact that I laid the foundation for it, chiefly for space reasons. One thing I omitted I'll be adding, the stuff on the arrest and the direct order on that.

Jerry has chosen to hurry, who says he is getting to attend a D.C. convention and probably will have a few days to spend here. I look forward to it.

There is no rush on that 425.2. But the copy I have is too pale for use. And the one typewritten for never needing a new ribbon in the saint's.

It takes an interminable time to get anything from them (for me) unless someone is one. They are not busy. When Mike is alone he does them right away and out right. But if your copy is not clear, that is what I'll have to do.

Best regards